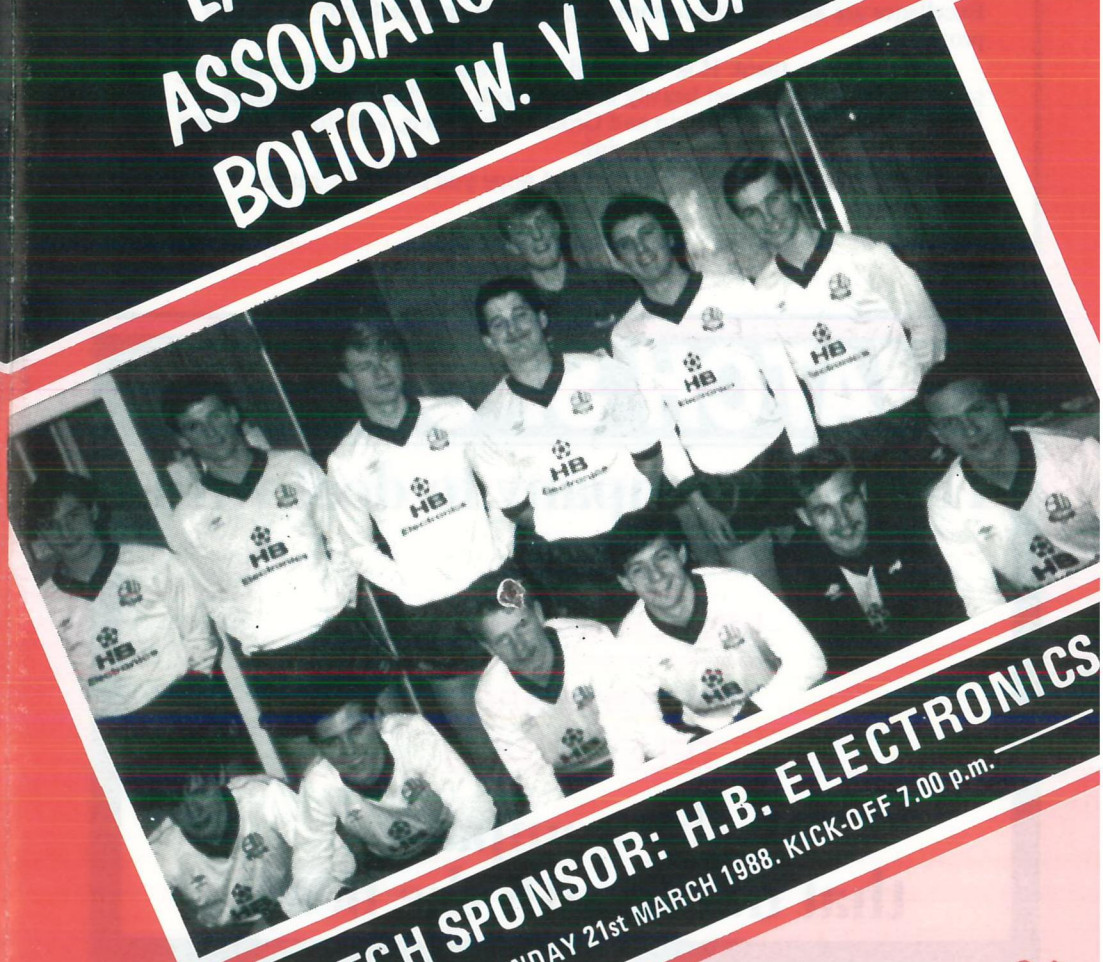




LANCASHIRE FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION YOUTH FINAL BOLTON W. V WIGAN ATH.



MATCH SPONSOR: H.B. ELECTRONICS
MONDAY 21st MARCH 1988. KICK-OFF 7.00 p.m.

CARROLL'S COMMENT



After beating Blackpool in the semi-finals at Bloomfield Road it was nice to win the toss and have the honour to stage the final here at Burnden.

After last year's tremendous performance in lifting the Trophy, I know the lads tonight will be equally as determined to retain the Trophy. The spirit between the lads is first class and with the backing tonight of our home supporters, the confidence of the previous rounds wins will see us home.

The Youth policy of the club has certainly started to pay dividends with the likes of Paul Hughes, Nicky Brookman, Julian Darby and Mark Winstanley, now members of Phil Neal's squad. Intensified scouting and the School of Excellence are also starting to show good results and the future is looking promising.

I would like to thank H.B. Electronics for their generous sponsorship of tonight's match. They get heavily involved with the club, with the likes of Junior Whites, Kit Sponsorship and Ground advertising, and this goes a long way with the development of the club.

Thanks for coming down tonight and I hope you enjoy the game.

Yours,
STEVE CARROLL.

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REFLECTIONS

Simon Marland remembers.....

Tonight the Wanderers Youth team will be looking to retain the Lancashire FA Youth Cup and in doing so be the first Bolton side since 1978 to collect a trophy here at Burnden.

That season the final was a two legged affair with the Wanderers defeating Manchester United by a 6-0 aggregate margin and by 4-0 at Burnden. The previous day the Wanderers had been presented with the Second Division Championship Trophy making it a double for the club. The Bolton side that defeated United at Burnden was: Felgate, Heaney, Burke, Roberts, Wardle, Taylor, Wilson, Chris Thompson, Carter, Hoggan, Keighley. Sub-Langley.

Seven of the team progressed to first team football with the Wanderers although in Dave Felgate's case it was via other clubs.

The Wanderers first won the competition in 1971 in an enthralling final against Blackpool at Burnden. The game was a single leg affair and Bolton found themselves 3-1 down with five minutes remaining. Stuart Parker had hit a hat trick for Blackpool whilst Don McAllister had netted for the Wanderers. Paul Jones pulled one back for Bolton in the 85th minute and the crowd of 5,000 went wild with delight when Peter Lucas equalised with two minutes remaining. The Wanderers winner came two minutes into extra time when Stuart Lee converted a penalty. The Wanderers team was: Siddall, Lucas, Denton, Jones, McAllister, Allardyce, Lee, Graham, Whatmore, Olinyk, Eckersley. Sub-Holding. Eight members made it through the ranks to the first team. The following season the Wanderers again reached the final which was two legged. Manchester United were the opponents and they ran out 2-1 winners in the first leg at Old Trafford.

A crowd of 3,266 saw the game at Burnden in which the Wanderers held a 2-1 lead, the aggregate scores being level, until twenty minutes from the end. United eventually took the Cup through a couple of late goals from Frank McGivern and Sammy McIlroy.

After tonight's match, come and have a drink in the Executive Club and watch the video of the Swansea match.

DOWN MEMORY LANE

3rd February 1981

The Wanderers youth side went out of the Lancashire Youth Cup on penalties at the hands of Manchester City at Burnden. The referee amazingly led the players off after extra time of the scoreless game, only to bring them back on ten minutes later to have the penalties shot out after realising his slip over the rules.

Although the game was scoreless it was full of incident with City's coach Tony Scott and Andy May being sent off and Bolton keeper Gary Walker carried off with a rib injury, striker Wayne Foster took over in goal but couldn't prevent City scoring all their penalties to win 5-3.

30th November 1982

BOLTON 4 MAN.UTD. . . . 0
2nd Round Lancs. Youth Cup

It was a performance of skill and spirit to warm the hearts on a bitterly cold, damp evening. The weather, though, was the last thing on the mind of the fans as they cheered on a responsive young Wanderers.

They never looked back from as early as the fifth minute when Dave Fitzharris forced home the opening goal.

Steve Thompson volleyed home a second goal a couple of minutes before half time to press home their hard earned advantage.

Then in the second half when Wanderers were expected to tire, they hit United with a double blast in the space of five minutes.

Steve Thompson's free kick sailed unchecked just inside the far post, leaving the United defence cursing their luck. But there was nothing lucky about the fourth goal laid on by Simon Rudge for Dave Fitzharris in the 68th minute.

The youngsters fully deserved their standing ovation at the end of a most entertaining game which saw Wanderers put on a brilliant all-round display.

Team: Farnworth, Lee, Walsh, Hodgkinson, Darby, Kay, Thompson, Saunders, Rudge, Mulligan, Fitzharris. Subs Booth and Davies.



TODAY'S MASCOT

7-year old Graham Hyde who lives in Farnworth and attends St.James Primary School.

Teams

BOLTON WANDERERS WHITE & NAVY BLUE

- 1 **RYAN PRICE**—Goalkeeper. Now in his second year YTS apprenticeship, played in last year's successful team and played regularly in this season's reserve team.
- 2 **NICKY SPOONER**—Right full back. Came on in last year's final while on trial with the club, ex Man. Utd. Schoolboy.
- 3 **CHRIS O'BRIEN**—Left back. Skipper of team, regular left-back after switching from midfield, forced himself into Phil Neal's squad this season after fine performances for reserves.
- 4 **CHRIS BANKS**—Midfield. Welsh Youth International, played in last year's successful side and has formed an influential partnership in midfield with Ian Callaghan.
- 5 **MALCOLM JACKSON**—Defender. First year YTS. A big strong central defender who has made a number of appearances in the reserves.
- 6 **PATRICK HALLIGAN**—Defender. Liverpool born player who is in his first year with the club. Forms a good partnership with Jackson at the heart of the defence.
- 7 **IAN CALLAGHAN**—Midfield. Made first team debut against Wrexham in the F.A. Cup, successful member of last year's team.
- 8 **KEVIN STILL**—Midfield. Left sided player who scored in the semi-final against Blackpool. Is on first year YTS apprenticeship. A strong tackler and good ball winner.
- 9 **MARK RAVEN**—Forward. Second year YTS, played in last year's successful team, scored important opening goal against Oldham in quarter-finals.
- 10 **MIKE JEFFREY**—Forward. Liverpool born striker in his first year with the club.
- 11 **DEREK BOOTH**—Winger. Played in last year's final after completing lengthy injury lay-off. Regular reserve team member.
- NEIL FISHER**—Come back well after twice breaking leg. Versatile player who is full of self-confidence.
- PAUL GASKELL**—First year YTS apprentice, a fast and tricky winger; was substitute for the semi-final against Blackpool.
- WAYNE MORAN**—Just joined the club from Notts. Co., after wanting a return to the North-West. Versatile player.
- DAVE ROBERTS**—First year YTS; a right back who is a good clean striker of a ball.

Match Officials: (Preston)

WIGAN ATHLETIC ALL GREEN

- 1 **IAN BANFORD**—Young keeper from the Wirral, in his first year as an apprentice, has come on greatly under the watchful eye of Roy Tunks.
- 2 **JOE PARKINSON**—A first year apprentice who has been on the substitutes bench for the first team. A strong defender with a good turn of speed.
- 3 **ALLAN HALL**—A Northern Ireland International from Belfast now in his second year with the Club. He has figured prominently in both Youth and reserves sides this season.
- 4 **PETER ATHERTON**—Captain. Has played regularly for the first team this season both at full back and centre half. A strong player with much ability and reads the game well.
- 5 **ALAN JOHNSON**—A big strapping centre half, in his first year with the club, strong in the air and in the tackle.
- 6 **SHAUN FALLON**—A former Liverpool Boys captain, now in his first year at the club, has good vision and passing ability.
- 7 **JONATHON CROMPTON**—A second year apprentice with good pace and the ability to bend a run and get the ball across.
- 8 **ROY LITHERLAND**—A first year apprentice from St. Helens, a real workhorse in midfield who is good going forward.
- 9 **BARRY SMITH**—Made his first team debut as substitute against Northampton, he is a strong runner with an eye for goal and always a handful for defenders.
- 10 **ROBERT LYSONS**—Recognised as one of the leading goal scorers in Youth football, always likely to claim a goal or two.
- 11 **STEPHEN CANNON**—A good header of the ball in his first year with the club, scores goals either from wide or upfront.
- NEIL WHITWORTH**—An under sixteen boy who has already played for the reserves, can play equally well at centre half or full-back.
- JOHN SMITH**—Also a schoolboy, he has electrifying pace and a good shot, he has represented the reserves this season.
- DANNY MADDOX**—A young Preston schoolboy, he has done well in the youth side this season, and played in the semi-final against Burnley.

Referee: E.J. Parker
Linesmen: G.J. Wilkinson
P.R. Richards